

Honolulu, Hawaii

February 11, 2014

RE: H.B. No. 2298
H.D. 1

Honorable Joseph M. Souki
Speaker, House of Representatives
Twenty-Seventh State Legislature
Regular Session of 2014
State of Hawaii

Sir:

Your Committee on Human Services, to which was referred H.B. No. 2298 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NOTICE TO CHILDREN PURSUANT TO THE CHILD PROTECTIVE ACT,"

begs leave to report as follows:

The purpose of this measure is to provide a more supportive and child-friendly way of notifying minors of hearings under the Child Protective Act. This measure requires the petitioner to notify the child 24 hours in advance of a hearing instead of the current requirement that a summons be served by a law enforcement officer, which may be frightening and confusing to a child or embarrassing if it occurs at school.

The Department of the Attorney General and the Department of Human Services supported this bill. The Judiciary provided comments on this bill.

Your Committee has amended this measure by increasing the notice time to 48 hours from 24 hours for all hearings other than those for temporary foster custody.

As affirmed by the record of votes of the members of your Committee on Human Services that is attached to this report, your Committee is in accord with the intent and purpose of H.B. No. 2298, as amended herein, and recommends that it pass Second



Reading in the form attached hereto as H.B. No. 2298, H.D. 1, and
be referred to the Committee on Judiciary.

Respectfully submitted on
behalf of the members of the
Committee on Human Services,


MELE CARROLL, Chair



State of Hawaii
House of Representatives
The Twenty-seventh Legislature

HSCR 325-14

Record of Votes of the Committee on Human Services

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 2298	Committee Referral: HVS, JUD	Date: 2/6/14		
<input type="checkbox"/> The committee is reconsidering its previous decision on the measure.				
The recommendation is to: <input type="checkbox"/> Pass, unamended (as is) <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Pass, with amendments (HD) <input type="checkbox"/> Hold <input type="checkbox"/> Pass short form bill with HD to recommit for future public hearing (recommit)				
HUS Members	Ayes	Ayes (WR)	Nays	Excused
1. CARROLL, Mele (C)	✓			
2. KOBAYASHI, Bertrand (VC)	✓			
3. BELATTI, Della Au				✓
4. CREAGAN, Richard	✓			
5. HASHEM, Mark J.	✓			
6. JORDAN, Jo	✓			
7. MORIKAWA, Dee	✓			
8. OSHIRO, Marcus R.		✓		
9. WOODSON, Justin H.				✓
10. FUKUMOTO, Beth	✓			
TOTAL (10)	7	1		2
The recommendation is: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Adopted <input type="checkbox"/> Not Adopted If joint referral, _____ did not support recommendation. <div style="text-align: center; font-size: 0.8em;">committee acronym(s)</div>				
Vice Chair's or designee's signature: B. J. ...				
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